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The attached memorandum is provided in response to a request by Bruce Rosenberg, Economic Officer at the American Embassy in Moscow, that we supply trade and production statistics for several chemical and petroleum products.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Bruce Rosenberg, Economic Officer  
American Embassy, Moscow

SUBJECT : Soviet Production and Trade in Selected  
Chemical and Petroleum Products

1. The following data are provided in response to your 25 March request. Since detailed information on oil and chemical products is not published by the USSR, the statistics are based on reporting from Western sources. The following tabulation shows the latest United Nations estimates for the year 1980 for several of the products requested:

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(Thousand Metric Tons)

	<u>Production</u>	<u>Global Exports</u>
LPG	8,695	275
Motor gasoline	73,500	8,000
Kerosene	36,000	3,000
Gas/diesel oils	115,000	21,000
Residual fuel oil	149,000	12,000

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2. The International Energy Agency, an OECD affiliate, also publishes trade (but not production) data for two of the requested products--gas/diesel oil and naphtha (see following tabulation). The information only covers Soviet trade with the OECD countries, however. The difference between the OECD and UN data for Soviet exports of gas/diesel oil for 1980 presumably reflects Soviet shipments of gas/diesel oil to non-OECD destinations.

	(Thousand Metric Tons)	
	<u>Naphtha</u>	<u>Gas/Diesel Oil</u>
1980	3,783	14,209
1981	3,696	14,401
1982 1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr	1,423	4,094
1982 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	1,590	4,266
1982 3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	1,160	3,896

3. Finally, the information we have on Soviet production of ethylene shows a 1980 volume of 1,773,000 metric tons; information on exports of this product is unavailable. For butadiene, neither production nor export data are available.

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